

Georgia State Board of Funeral Service

Board Meeting

September 10, 2013

Public Hearings:

A public hearing was held by the Georgia Board of Funeral Service on September 10, 2013, for the purpose of providing licensees the opportunity to appeal fines assessed for inspection violations. The hearings were held at the office of the Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, GA. The Board chairman, Thelon Hamby, called the hearings to order at 10:06 a.m. A quorum was established with members present being: Chairman Thelon Hamby, Terry Daviston, Nancy Kennedy and David Roach. Lauren McDonald was present via satellite from the Atlanta Office of Secretary of State.

At the conclusion of the hearings, the Board rendered the following decisions on the case presented:

King Brothers Funeral Home: Terry Daviston moved, Nancy Kennedy seconded, and the Board voted to uphold the fine for no hot water and to uphold the fine on embalming room not being in a clean condition. Terry Daviston voted to uphold the fine on casket price list. All other members opposed; therefore, the motion failed and the board waived the fine for casket price list.

Total fine assessed: \$400.00

The Chairman declared the hearings closed at 11:00 a.m.

A meeting of the Georgia State Board of Funeral Service was held on Tuesday, September 10, 2013 at the Professional Licensing Boards office, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, GA. Chairman Thelon Hamby called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

A quorum was established with members present being: Chairman Thelon Hamby, Terry Daviston, Nancy Kennedy and David Roach. Lauren McDonald was present via satellite from the Atlanta Office of Secretary of State.

Others present were as follows: Steve Lindsey, Executive Director, Amantha Lovett, Board Support Specialist and Reagan Dean, Assistant Attorney General, via satellite from the Atlanta Office of Secretary of State.

Executive Session:

Terry Daviston moved to enter into Executive Session to deliberate on applications, complaints, and investigations, as authorized by O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2 (k) and 43-1-19 (h). Nancy Kennedy seconded the motion. The motion was carried by Thelon Hamby, Chairman; David Roach, Nancy Kennedy, Terry Daviston and Lauren McDonald. The Board concluded Executive Session in order to vote on the matters discussed and to continue with the public session.

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Applications:

Lauren McDonald moved, Terry Daviston seconded, and the Board voted to approve the following applications for a change of Funeral Director in Full & Continuous Charge:

- 157573 Perry Funeral Chapel, Inc. **_Edgar Fry Perry**
- 150189 C.A. Reid SR Memorial Chapel – **Emma Lee Corbitt**
- 2091283 & 2091288 Phoenix Funeral Services Inc. – **Robert Lorenzo Bradley**
- 1851729 & 1851732 Georgia Cremation Centers – **Donald Kenneth Miller, Jr.**
- 1835508 Jeff Eberhart Funeral Home Inc.- **Dennis Eugene Ralph**
- 1851727 Young Levett Funeral Home Inc.- **Ariel Young Sullivan**
- 1840688 & 1840687 Southern Cremations & Funerals at Cheatham Hill- **Don Allen Greene**

Lauren McDonald moved, Terry Daviston seconded, and the Board voted to deny the following applications for a change of Funeral Director in Full & Continuous Charge:

- 1857645 B.B A. - J.F.

Lauren McDonald moved, Terry Daviston seconded, and the Board voted to approve the following applications for licensure as a Funeral Director & Embalmer:

- 1827129 & 1827133 Solomon Nixon, Jr.

Lauren McDonald moved, Terry Daviston seconded, and the Board voted to approve the following applications for licensure as a Funeral Director & Embalmer by reciprocity pending the passing of the Georgia Laws and Rules Exam:

- 1852447 & 1852449 G W B

Lauren McDonald moved, Terry Daviston seconded, and the Board voted to approve the following Trade Embalmer for Supervision of a Funeral Service Apprentice:

- 1852296 Victor Romero Meadows for Anvenitria Colbert
- 1857643 Darryl K. Bentley for Gregory Allen Ellis

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- 1830925 Charles Jerome Menendez for Yoshalyn Shamia Rowland

Lauren McDonald moved, Terry Daviston seconded, and the Board voted to table the following application for licensure as a Funeral Service Apprentice until appearance from Embalmer Supervisor:

- 2092391 R L B

Lauren McDonald moved, Terry Daviston seconded, and the Board voted to rescind its previous decision to deny, and approved the following application for licensure as an Embalmer:

- 1820342 Tawanna Johnson

Lauren McDonald moved, Terry Daviston seconded, and the Board voted to accept the Attorney General's report.

Lauren McDonald moved, Terry Daviston seconded, and the Board voted to accept the Cognizant's recommendations on the following cases:

FUN140030	Close
FUN140028	Table case and refer to Legal to send letter to the probate judge to determine if the case is considered closed in the probate court.
FUN140034	Table for the reinstatement application to be processed for review.
FUN140006	Close
FUN140018	Refer to Enforcement to obtain copies of funeral contracts & other documents to review for forgery of FDFCC's name. Contact families that have been served to determine if FDFCC handled arrangements, or determine the person who did.
FUN130128	Close as a civil matter. Fine for inspection violation stands.
FUN130143	Close
FUN130108	Refer to Chatham County Coroner's Office for assistance in getting Death County filed. Send copy of letter to Vital Records.

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Terry Daviston moved, Lauren McDonald seconded, and the Board voted to ratify the following orders to accept fine money for inspection violations:

- Wheeler's Funeral Home \$250 Sandersville
- Knox Funeral Home \$50 Atlanta
- Wainright & Parlor Funeral Home \$200 Hazelhurst

Approval of Minutes:

Nancy Kennedy moved, Terry Daviston seconded, and the Board voted to approve the Official Minutes from the August 13, 2013 meeting.

Nancy Kennedy moved, Terry Daviston seconded, and the Board voted to approve the Executive Session minutes from the August 13, 2013 meeting.

Terry Daviston moved, Lauren McDonald seconded, and the Board voted to ratify the following licenses issued since the August 13, 2013 Board meeting.

CREM000108	Lakeside Funeral Home	Funeral Service
EMB004858	Muhammad, Zakiyah Ameenah	Funeral Service
EMB004859	Neal, Mark Alan	Funeral Service
EMB004860	Jordan, Tremaine Lee	Funeral Service
EMB004861	Martin, Tessa NeSmith	Funeral Service
EMB004862	Miller, Jonathan Scott	Funeral Service
EMB004863	Moye, Blake Hartley	Funeral Service
EMB004864	Langley, Christopher Bernard	Funeral Service
EMB004865	Mathews, Charlie Bland	Funeral Service
EMB004866	Biggs, Mark Douglas	Funeral Service
EMB004867	Montgomery, Leon Harris, III	Funeral Service
EMB004868	Watson, Billy Gilford, Jr	Funeral Service
EMB004869	Hardigree, Tyron Allen	Funeral Service
FD005264	Muhammad, Zakiyah Ameenah	Funeral Service
FD005265	Neal, Mark Alan	Funeral Service
FD005266	Jordan, Tremaine Lee	Funeral Service
FD005267	Martin, Tessa NeSmith	Funeral Service
FD005268	Miller, Jonathan Scott	Funeral Service
FD005269	Moye, Blake Hartley	Funeral Service
FD005270	Langley, Christopher Bernard	Funeral Service
FD005271	Mathews, Charlie Bland	Funeral Service

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FD005272	Biggs, Mark Douglas	Funeral Service
FD005273	Montgomery, Leon Harris, III	Funeral Service
FD005274	Watson, Billy Gilford, Jr	Funeral Service
FD005275	Hardigree, Tyron Allen	Funeral Service
FEST001867	R Dudley Barton & Son Funeral Home Inc	Funeral Service
FEST001868	Mack's Funeral Home	Funeral Service
FSA005573	Clark, Latoya Denice	Funeral Service
FSA005574	Matthews, Alex G	Funeral Service
FSA005575	Dickson, Carrie Michele	Funeral Service
FSA005576	Sumlar, William Eric	Funeral Service
FSA005577	Killian, Ruth Moon	Funeral Service
FSA005578	Livingston, Kristopher Gene	Funeral Service
FSA005579	Robinson, Brenda LaShea	Funeral Service
FSA005580	Johnson, Michael Nekel	Funeral Service

Nancy Kennedy moved, Terry Daviston seconded, and the Board voted to accept the Cognizant's recommendations on the approval or denial of the following continuing education courses:

National Funeral Directors Association kwalczak@nfdanet.org	NFDANet International Convention Expo	1	Approved	1
	A College of Embalming and Reconstructive	4	Approved	4
	Collections In Tough Economic Times: Ideas that will Work for Your Business	1	Approved	1
	Family Business Disputes: Court is in Session	1	Approved	1
	Funeral Home/ Cemetery Synergy=Satisfied Families. Success Strategies for Combo Firms and Stand-alone Funeral Homes and Cemeteries			
	Are You Ready for OSHA December 1? How to Meet the Compliance Training Deadline for	1	Approved	

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	the Revised HazCom Standard			
	Redesigning Customer Service for Outstanding Results	1	Approved	1
	Turn Phone Shopper into Customers	1	Approved	1
	Now to Profit and Grow in a High Cremation Market	2	Approved	2
	Reimagine and Reinvent Your Customer Service Edge	2	Approved	2
	How to Build Exceptional Relationships with Your Local Hospice	2	Approved	2
	Hot Technologies 2014: It's #mobilesociallocal	1	Approved	1
	Pet Loss Services and Your Funeral Home: Cobranding to Create Success	1	Denied	0
	Funeral Homes and the Affordable Care Act: What Are Your Options?	1	Approved	1
	It's Only a Matter Of Time: Are You Ready for Natural Burials and Green Funerals?	1	Approved	1
	Cremation Due Diligence Is In Your Hands: Implementing the Updated CANA,NFDA,ICCFA Joint Due Diligence Guide to Best Practices	1	Approved	1
	Compliance Update Becoming More Profitable through Sustainable Business Practices	1	Approved	1

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	Mandate for the Future of Funeral Service: A Model for Integrating the Way of Funerals into the Arrangements	2	Approved	2
	Winning More Calls-with Google!	2	Approved	2
	Boosting Profits through the Power of Possibility	2	Approved	2
	Insights and Tactics to Increase Your 2014 Market Share	1	Approved	1
	The Value of Visualization: A New Approach to Develop Enhanced Embalming Skills	1	Approved	1
	Opening Session Keynote: The Good Funeral	1	Approved	1
	How the Connecticut Funeral Directors Association and Its Members Faced the Challenges of Newtown	2	Approved	2
	Inspiring Consumers to Have the Talk of a Lifetime: A New Grassroots Public Education Campaign	2	Approved	2
	Playing “ What If”: Exploring Options that will Revitalize Your Business	2	Approved	2
	Finance Options that Work for Your Families	1	Approved	1
	Current Perspectives on Grief and Bereavement	1	Approved	1
	The Tri-State Crematory Incident: Mistakes Made Lessons Learned	1	Approved	1

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	30 Questions about the 30 Year-Old Funeral Rule	1	Approved	1
	The Art of Cremation Phone Inquiries: 3 Steps to Better Client Decisions	1	Approved	1
	Distracted Driving and Your Business: A Community Plan and Saving Lives	1	Approved	1
	Advanced Techniques for Reconstruction of Crushing Head Trauma Cases	1	Approved	1
	Conversation Café: Practical Tips for Implementation of the FAMIC Public Education Campaign for Funeral Services	1.5	Approved	1.5
	Conversation Café: The State Of Preneed Laws & Regulations	1	Approved	1
	Battling Burnout: Management Techniques for Caregivers	1	Approved	1
	“Wait a Minute Mr. Postman! “Shipping Cremated Remains Domestically and Worldwide	1	Approved	1
	Cremation Basics: Staff Attitudes Drive Success	1	Approved	1
	Planning a Graceful Exit From Your Business: Life After Funeral Service	1	Approved	1
	Transforming Loss: An Intimate Look into the Process of Grief and Healing	1	Approved	1
	General Session: Falling in Love with Your Profession	1	Approved	1

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	Special Engagement: Why Funerals Matter	1.5	Approved	1.5
	Have the Talk of a Lifetime Public Education Campaign: Easy Implementation Strategies	1	Approved	1
Georgia Funeral Directors Association alysiamc@msn.com	2013 District Meetings	2	Approved	2
International Cemetery, Cremation and Funeral Association	ICCFA University, College of 21st Century Services	25		
	ICCFA University, College of Cremation Services	25		
	ICCFA University, College of Embalming, Restorative Art and Other Care	24.5		
	ICCFA University, College of Land Management and Grounds Operations	24.5		
	ICCFA University, College of Leadership, Administration and Management	24.5		
	ICCFA University, College of Sales and Marketing	25		
	ICCFA University, College of Funeral Home Management	24.5		

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Other Business:

Terry Daviston moved, Nancy Kennedy seconded, and the Board voted to approve the following requests for a 90 day grace period:

- FEST000854 Wainright Parlor Funeral Home
- FEST001370 Knox Funeral Home
- FEST001743 Bradley B Anderson Funeral Home Glennville Chapel

The Board accepted notification from J. W. Williams Funeral Home of the reconstruction of the chapel.

The Board reviewed a letter submitted by Brian Givens concerning advertising of proposed operations. The Board advised that the proposed advertisement gives the impression that graveside services or chapel services will be offered as an unlicensed establishment. Direction of funeral services must be performed by a licensed funeral director in conjunction with a licensed funeral establishment.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:54 p.m.

The Georgia State Board of Funeral Service's next meeting will be held Tuesday, October 8, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. at the Professional Licensing Boards Office, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, GA.